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MONTANA LABOR MARKET

Monthly Review of
EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK, LABOR SUPPLY, LABOR DEMAND, CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

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UCC INSURED WORKERS RECEIVED A RECORD \$533.7 MILLION IN WAGES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1963

More than 15,000 Montana employers covered under the Montana UCC law paid a record breaking \$533,769,602 in wages to an average of 112,994 insured workers during the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1963. This was an increase of \$30.3 million over the fiscal 1962 insured wage total, and \$171 million above the fiscal 1953 figure. Every major industry group had higher payrolls this fiscal year than last. Manufacturing topped the list with a gain of \$12.4 million. Other increases over fiscal 1962 were in construction, up \$9.1 million; trade, up \$3.5 million; service industries, up \$3.1 million; mining, up \$1.3 million; finance, insurance and real estate, up \$792,700; and transportation, communications and utilities, up \$157,500.

The following table shows gross wages paid in insured industries during fiscal 1963:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Trade Industries | \$157,642,381 |
| Manufacturing | 124,130,678 |
| Contract Construction | 82,531,991 |
| Transportation, Communications & Utilities | 52,392,527 |
| Service Industries | 43,417,635 |
| Mining | 43,107,305 |
| Finance, Insurance & Real Estate | 29,186,470 |
| Miscellaneous—not elsewhere classified | 1,360,616 |

Taxable wages upon which Montana employers paid UCC taxes amounted to \$345,374,270, an increase of \$13.5 million from fiscal 1962. Under the Montana UCC law taxes are collected only on the first \$3,000 in wages paid to an insured worker during the year.

Yellowstone county, although pushed closely by Cascade county, continued to hold on to the number one spot in the amount of insured wages paid. Yellowstone county employers paid insured wages of \$72,146,457 during fiscal 1962. Paychecks of insured workers in Cas-

cade county totaled \$71,859,978. Other major counties in order were: Silver Bow, \$49,660,264; Missoula, \$39,547,907; Flathead, \$25,187,863; and Lewis and Clark, \$23,571,700. All these counties showed increased wage totals over fiscal 1962 with the exception of Silver Bow where insured wages dropped by \$300,000. Payrolls in Cascade county showed the largest gain of \$8.4 million due chiefly to missile installation activity there during fiscal 1963. Insured payrolls in Lewis and Clark county were up \$3.3 million.

EMPLOYMENT HOLDING WELL; OCTOBER SETS NEW RECORD

Non-farm employment in Montana started to recede moderately during October as the summer work season ended. Reflected in the October estimate of non-farm wage earners is natural employment declines in construction, trade, transportation, communications, and utilities, and in the service industries. Employment in manufacturing industries shows a slight increase while payrolls of mining, finance, insurance, and real estate establishments remain much the same as September totals. Despite these normal seasonal declines common to this time of the year, October labor market demands held on to good trends. The state's industrial employers listed 4,759 job openings with the state's 22 local offices during October, 591 more than a year ago. Industrial job placements totaled 4,488, up 864 from October 1962. Workers placed on farm jobs were up 464 from last year to a total of 2,752.

178,900 Get Paychecks

At mid-October the total of non-farm wage earners was estimated at 178,900, a record for that month. There was a seasonal decline of 2,300 from the Sept. employment level, but employment this October was still 2,300 higher than last year. Average October non-farm employment for the past ten years is figured at 170,000.

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN MANUFACTURING AND MINING INDUSTRIES

(per 100 employees)

(Compiled in cooperation with U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

| INDUSTRY | ACCESSION RATE | | | | | | SEPARATION RATE | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | Total | | | New Hire | | | Total | | | Quit | | | Layoff | | |
| | 1) Sept. 1963 | 2) Aug. 1963 | Sept. 1962 | Sept. 1963 | Aug. 1963 | Sept. 1962 | Sept. 1963 | Aug. 1963 | Sept. 1962 | Sept. 1963 | Aug. 1963 | Sept. 1962 | Sept. 1963 | Aug. 1963 | Sept. 1962 |
| All Manufacturing | 5.9 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 5.2 | 4.5 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 6.3 | 7.9 | 5.2 | 3.8 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.4 |
| Durable Goods | 7.0 | 6.7 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 9.1 | 7.4 | 8.5 | 6.3 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Primary Metal | 4.8 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 1.3 | .9 | 1.2 | 7.9 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 4.1 | .8 |
| Nondurable Goods | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 3.7 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 1.4 | 4.5 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.3 |
| All Mining | 6.6 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 4.0 | 5.1 | 2.6 | 8.8 | 8.4 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 1.4 | .9 | 2.8 |
| Metal Mining | 5.5 | 7.6 | 10.8 | 2.2 | 3.3 | 1.2 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 10.7 | 3.9 | 4.8 | 5.4 | 1.7 | .7 | 4.0 |

Along the Hiring Line— Field Summary October 1

ANACONDA, Deer Lodge, Philipsburg—(210 jobseekers, 72 new, 101 men, 109 women). Most labor market activity on fairly steady schedules but with some normal seasonal declines. Smelter employment down 500 from last year; 75 men recalled for temporary work during October. Trade, service, and railroad employment all show some decline from last year. Closure of a laundry idled 10 workers.

BILLINGS, Columbus, Hardin, Laurel, Red Lodge, Roundup—(1,725 jobseekers, 726 new, 994 men, 731 women). Maximum employment maintained on all outdoor construction projects during October. Building permits during the month totaled nearly \$1.3 million. Oil field layoffs noted in the Roundup area; a trend expected to continue the next few months. Employment demand in trade and service units starting to expand in preparation for the holiday season. Record sugar beet harvest completed; refineries at Billings and Hardin employ 1,000 plant workers with Billings operation expected to run to February '64.

BOZEMAN, Ennis, Three Forks, Trident—(298 jobseekers, 252 new, 119 men, 179 women). Employment showed some seasonal declines in construction and service industries during October. Trends in trade and manufacturing kept fairly stable. More mechanization caused a substantial decline in farm labor from last year. Logging and sawmill employment keeps at good levels. Employment trends generally optimistic next 30 days in most industries.

BUTTE, Virginia City, Whitehall—(852 jobseekers, 371 new, 451 men, 401 women). Increased demand for experienced hard rock miners highlighted October labor market demand. During next 5 months 100 more miners will be trained under the ARA program. Hiring for new construction projects including hospital annex, post office, shopping center, and street improvement more than offset layoffs in completed projects.

CUT BANK—(155 jobseekers, 52 new, 94 men, 61 women). October hiring chiefly for public work projects and for firefighters. Construction trends fairly active with work progressing on dormitory at Browning, lumber mill, road construction, and new homes. MDTA training of lumber mill workers for new Browning mill slated to start mid-November.

DILLON—(75 jobseekers, 66 new, 42 men, 33 women). Good employment trends continue in industry and agri-

LABOR MARKET INDICATORS

| Employment | Oct. 1963 | Sept. 1963 | Oct. 1962 | Oct. Avg. 1954-63 |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Industrial Employment | 178,900 | 181,200 | 176,600 | 170,000 |
| New Job Applicants | 3,851 | 4,437 | 3,834 | 3,570 |
| Job Applicants, End of Month | 8,362 | 8,335 | 8,289 | 7,493 |
| Insured Unemployment Week of | Nov. 8 1963 | Oct. 4 1963 | Nov. 2 1962 | Avg. 1st Nov. Wk. 1959-63 |
| New and Renewal Claims | 868 | 479 | 716 | 1,238 |
| Unemployed Weeks Filed | 2,871 | 2,195 | 2,587 | 4,004 |
| Total Unemployed Claims | 3,739 | 2,674 | 3,303 | 5,242 |

culture along with favorable weather. Active demand for farm help with local labor supply adequate to meet needs. Construction continues at good pace but some projects nearly completed. Work began on \$240,000 college dormitory and some commercial remodeling projects.

GLASGOW—Fort Peck, Malta, Opheim—(115 jobseekers, 52 new, 25 men, 90 women). October presented a healthy labor market paced by high employment in construction and good volume of main street business. About 350 workers employed on Glasgow air base projects and street repair work at Malta. Some temporary shortages of construction workers occurred during the month.

GLENDIVE, Circle, Wibaux—(118 jobseekers, 83 new, 53 men, 65 women). Active labor market trends continue in most industries with exception of oil fields. Opening of new shopping center made jobs for 40 people. Work began on \$2.2 million interstate highway project. Other construction limited to small building units. Excellent farm crops this year makes for good business on main street.

GREAT FALLS, Choteau, Fort Benton, Stanford—(1,743 jobseekers, 586 new, 958 men, 785 women). Mixed trends dominated the October labor market. Smelter hiring accounted for most of the job placements while trade, service, and other industries remained on the passive side. About 3,000 workers still employed on various construction projects. Work started on a new motel estimated to cost \$1 million. Farm labor demand fairly active.

HAMILTON, Stevensville—(116 jobseekers, 38 new, 51 men, 65 women). Good labor demand during October kept jobseeker files to a minimum; more than half are women. Lumbering and construction show no signs yet of slacking off. Furloughed forest service workers found employment on public work projects. Farm harvests during October made jobs for nearly 300.

HAVRE, Chinook, Harlem—(207 jobseekers, 146 new, 142 men, 65 women). Two public work programs on Indian reservations, employing 100, accounted

for most October hires. Some replacement hiring for several building projects also occurred. Increased hiring in trade and service establishments should start during November as holiday buying season gets underway.

HELENA, Boulder, Garrison, Townsend, White Sulphur Springs—(329 jobseekers, 192 new, 183 men, 146 women). Labor demand kept on fairly steady schedule in most industries during October. Opening of new trade units at shopping center made 40 more jobs. Some temporary shortages of sales and clerical workers developed. New construction chiefly in form of new homes and apartment buildings.

KALISPELL, Columbia Falls, Eureka, Libby, Whitefish—(494 jobseekers, 249 new, 260 men, 234 women). October labor market patterns held at good levels paced by good hiring for forest service work, Christmas tree harvest, and construction projects. About 300 employed in Christmas tree harvest. Logging and lumbering operations keep good trends. Good economic climate reflected by increased activity at trade and service establishments.

LEWISTOWN, Harlowton, Ryegate, Winnett—(122 jobseekers, 75 new, 53 men, 69 women). Despite some seasonal employment declines and completed missile projects, local hiring trends fairly brisk during October. Three construction projects completed but work continues on four others employing 400.

LIVINGSTON, Big Timber—(170 jobseekers, 39 new, 80 men, 90 women). Employment still holding up well in construction, trade, lumbering, and logging. Seasonal declines reflected in normal downturns in some service industries, closure of roadside drive-ins, and Yellowstone Park layoffs. Plans announced for new shopping center to be completed by May 1964. Some railroad hiring in evidence.

MILES CITY, Baker, Ekalaka, Broadus, Jordan, Terry—(147 jobseekers, 97 new, 81 men, 66 women). Good construction agenda and near record farm crops make for good economic picture in area. Labor demand in trade and service establishments up substantial-

NINE YEARS OF MONTANA INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT TOTALS, BY MONTHS (in Thousands)

| | Jan. | Feb. | March | April | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Aver. |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1955 | 150.6 | 149.0 | 149.6 | 155.6 | 160.7 | 169.2 | 170.6 | 172.9 | 171.7 | 168.3 | 164.7 | 162.7 | 162.1 |
| 1956 | 156.6 | 154.4 | 156.3 | 163.0 | 169.3 | 177.4 | 177.4 | 179.8 | 177.2 | 174.6 | 170.4 | 166.7 | 168.6 |
| 1957 | 156.8 | 155.0 | 156.8 | 161.3 | 166.0 | 172.0 | 174.2 | 174.2 | 170.8 | 167.4 | 163.2 | 159.9 | 164.8 |
| 1958 | 153.1 | 150.3 | 150.5 | 156.4 | 162.4 | 167.1 | 170.2 | 172.2 | 170.0 | 168.8 | 165.8 | 162.4 | 162.4 |
| 1959 | 155.3 | 153.2 | 155.9 | 162.2 | 167.5 | 174.0 | 177.5 | 179.2 | 169.9 | 165.6 | 161.5 | 159.4 | 165.1 |
| 1960 | 152.7 | 152.5 | 156.1 | 163.5 | 168.4 | 175.8 | 176.9 | 177.7 | 174.8 | 171.6 | 167.5 | 164.5 | 166.7 |
| 1961 | 156.9 | 154.8 | 156.1 | 160.2 | 165.1 | 173.3 | 176.0 | 178.1 | 176.8 | 172.4 | 169.0 | 166.2 | 167.1 |
| 1962 | 158.3 | 158.2 | 159.6 | 166.2 | 172.4 | 180.1 | 180.5 | 181.2 | 178.6 | 176.6 | 175.1 | 173.5 | 171.7 |
| 1963 | 163.9 | 163.0 | 165.0 | 171.4 | 175.7 | 182.9 | 182.3 | 181.8 | 181.2 | 178.9** | | | |

*Preliminary Estimate

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ly from last year. Most experienced and skilled workers now employed. Outdoor work will keep high payrolls as long as good weather lasts.

MISSOULA, Drummond, Arlee, Superior—(963 jobseekers, 502 new, 533 men, 380 women). Active labor market reflected by high employment levels in nearly all industries. Several major building and civic improvement projects near completion, but heavy agenda of other work continues. Brisk hiring in trade industries with opening of new retail units. Woods work plentiful with some shortages of workers.

POLSON—(191 jobseekers, 42 new, 124 men, 67 women). Little change noted in labor market activity from last month but big drop shown from last year due chiefly to machines in potato fields limiting need for hand labor. Construction and lumbering payrolls still near peak.

SHELBY—(130 jobseekers, 75 new, 82 men, 48 women). Employment trends better than last month and last year as work continues on highway projects and new activity opens up in oil fields. New oil refinery will employ 12 men. Steady trends prevail in main street establishments. Farm hiring up 40% from last year.

SIDNEY—(76 jobseekers, 57 new, 32 men, 44 women). Good labor demand in most industries during October with most activity in manufacturing and trade. Over 450 employed in sugar beet refining operations, an activity expected to last until mid-February. Opening of new shopping center made 30 permanent jobs. 50 workers employed on 3 construction projects totaling more than \$½ million.

THOMPSON FALLS, Hot Springs—(61 jobseekers, 34 new, 43 men, 18 women). Labor market trends in most industries above seasonal levels as good weather holds. Sawmill and woods work at peak despite temporary shut-down of one mill for repairs. Building and road construction on good schedule. Public work projects totaling \$160,000 should start during November.

WOLF POINT, Plentywood, Scobey—(65 jobseekers, 45 new, 49 men, 16 women). Increased oil field activity dominated October's labor market as employment increased by 100 for exploration and drilling work. Construction employment showed slight decline from last month but still above last year.

All employment estimates revised on the basis of more complete reports. Industry detail for the period Jan. 1962 to date, will be supplied in a future supplement to this publication.

(1) Estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Proprietors, firm members, personnel of the armed forces, domestic servants, and self-employed persons are excluded.

(2) Preliminary estimates based on return from samples of 846 selected Montana establishments.

(3) Figures previously released have been revised on return from 1,303 such establishments.

(4) Includes fabricated metal products, machinery except electrical, furniture, stone and clay products.

(5) Includes apparel, chemicals, and miscellaneous manufacturing products.

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN MONTANA (1)

(Compiled in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)

| INDUSTRY | EMPLOYMENT | | | Net Change | |
|---|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Oct. 1963 (2) | Sept. 1963 (3) | Oct. 1962 | Sept. '63 to Oct. '63 | Oct. '62 to Oct. '63 |
| NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES | 178,900 | 181,200 | 176,600 | -2,300 | 2,300 |
| Manufacturing | 23,000 | 22,900 | 24,500 | 100 | -1,500 |
| Durable goods | 14,200 | 14,700 | 15,700 | -500 | -1,500 |
| Lumber and timber products | 9,400 | 9,600 | 8,500 | -200 | 900 |
| Primary metals | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,400 | 00 | -300 |
| Other (4) | 1,700 | 2,000 | 3,800 | -300 | -2,100 |
| Nondurable goods | 8,800 | 8,200 | 8,800 | 600 | 00 |
| Food and kindred products | 5,300 | 4,700 | 5,600 | 600 | -300 |
| Printing and publishing | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 00 | 00 |
| Petroleum refining | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,000 | 00 | 200 |
| Other (5) | 700 | 700 | 600 | 00 | 100 |
| Mining | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,800 | 00 | 00 |
| Metal mining | 3,900 | 3,900 | 3,700 | 00 | 200 |
| Coal, quarrying and nonmetallic | 1,000 | 1,000 | 800 | 00 | 200 |
| Petroleum-natural gas production | 1,900 | 1,900 | 2,300 | 00 | -400 |
| Contract Construction | 15,500 | 16,100 | 14,200 | -600 | 1,300 |
| Contractors, building construction | 4,600 | 4,800 | 4,200 | -200 | 400 |
| Contractors, other than building | 5,800 | 6,100 | 5,100 | -300 | 700 |
| Contractors, special trade | 5,100 | 5,200 | 4,900 | -100 | 200 |
| Transportation and utilities | 18,000 | 18,500 | 17,900 | -500 | 100 |
| Interstate railroads | 8,000 | 8,200 | 8,000 | -200 | 00 |
| Transportation except railroads | 4,200 | 4,300 | 3,900 | -100 | 300 |
| Utilities including communication | 5,800 | 6,000 | 6,000 | -200 | -200 |
| Trade | 40,700 | 41,300 | 40,800 | -600 | -100 |
| Wholesale trade | 8,400 | 8,400 | 8,800 | 00 | -400 |
| Retail trade | 32,300 | 32,900 | 32,000 | -600 | 300 |
| General merchandise and apparel | 6,100 | 6,100 | 6,100 | 00 | 00 |
| Food stores | 5,000 | 4,900 | 5,100 | 100 | -100 |
| Eating and drinking establishments | 8,300 | 9,000 | 8,000 | -700 | 300 |
| Automotive and filling stations | 6,600 | 6,700 | 6,600 | -100 | 00 |
| Retail trade not elsewhere classified | 6,300 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 100 | 100 |
| Finance, insurance and real estate | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,800 | 00 | 100 |
| Services and miscellaneous | 23,800 | 25,400 | 23,800 | -1,600 | 00 |
| Hotels, rooming houses, camps, etc. | 3,400 | 4,600 | 3,000 | -1,200 | 400 |
| Personal services | 2,100 | 2,100 | 2,100 | 00 | 00 |
| Other (6) | 18,300 | 18,700 | 18,700 | -400 | -400 |
| Government | 44,200 | 43,300 | 41,800 | 900 | 2,400 |
| Federal | 12,000 | 12,600 | 11,300 | 600 | 700 |
| State and local | 32,200 | 30,700 | 30,500 | 1,500 | 1,700 |
| Great Falls Area (Cascade County) | 22,700 | 23,600 | 25,600 | -900 | -2,900 |
| Manufacturing | 3,000 | 3,100 | 5,300 | -100 | -2,300 |
| Contract construction | 2,700 | 3,000 | 3,500 | -300 | -800 |
| Transportation and utilities | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 00 | 00 |
| Trade, wholesale and retail | 5,700 | 5,800 | 5,700 | -100 | 00 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 00 | 00 |
| Services and miscellaneous (7) | 3,700 | 4,100 | 3,600 | -400 | 100 |
| Government | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,000 | 00 | 100 |
| Billings Area (Yellowstone County) | 24,100 | 24,000 | 23,600 | 100 | 500 |
| Manufacturing | 3,300 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 300 | 400 |
| Contract construction | 1,700 | 1,700 | 1,700 | 00 | 00 |
| Transportation and utilities | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,500 | 00 | 100 |
| Trade, wholesale and retail | 7,300 | 7,400 | 7,400 | -100 | -100 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 00 | 00 |
| Services and Miscellaneous (7) | 4,100 | 4,200 | 4,100 | -100 | 00 |
| Government | 3,700 | 3,700 | 3,600 | 00 | 100 |

(6) Includes commercial trade schools, auto repair services and garages, miscellaneous repair services and hand trades, motion pictures, amusements and recreation, medical and health, law offices and professional services, non-profit member-

ship organizations and businesses not otherwise classified.

(7) Same as (6) above. Also includes hotels, rooming houses, camps, personal services and mining.

COMPARISON OF BASIC LABOR MARKET ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER 1963 AND OCTOBER 1962

| Employment Service Office | New Job Applicants | | | | Jobseekers in File | | | | Job Placement | | | | | | | | UI Claims* | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------|-----------|------|--------------------|-------|-----------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|------------|-------|
| | Oct. 1963 | | Oct. 1962 | | Oct. 1963 | | Oct. 1962 | | Oct. 1963 | | | | Oct. 1962 | | | | Wk 11-8 | |
| | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Ind. | Ag. | Tot. | Vet. | Ind. | Ag. | Tot. | Vet. | 1963 | 1962 |
| Anaconda | 72 | 11 | 85 | 9 | 210 | 21 | 292 | 33 | 72 | 340 | 412 | 70 | 49 | 236 | 285 | 61 | 134 | 157 |
| Billings | 726 | 106 | 754 | 136 | 1,725 | 268 | 1,770 | 314 | 648 | 467 | 1,115 | 280 | 557 | 405 | 962 | 219 | 575 | 604 |
| Bozeman | 252 | 36 | 259 | 29 | 298 | 40 | 260 | 34 | 221 | 72 | 293 | 41 | 213 | 160 | 373 | 46 | 78 | 120 |
| Butte | 371 | 57 | 245 | 14 | 852 | 138 | 832 | 179 | 203 | 8 | 211 | 47 | 150 | 8 | 158 | 58 | 426 | 467 |
| Cut Bank | 52 | 11 | 80 | 22 | 155 | 37 | 249 | 58 | 119 | 45 | 164 | 61 | 46 | 29 | 75 | 32 | 62 | 104 |
| Dillon | 66 | 17 | 53 | 10 | 75 | 12 | 109 | 28 | 32 | 61 | 93 | 44 | 75 | 50 | 125 | 44 | 34 | 56 |
| Glasgow | 52 | 1 | 112 | 11 | 115 | 4 | 193 | 23 | 109 | 29 | 138 | 22 | 77 | 26 | 103 | 13 | 54 | 99 |
| Glendive | 83 | 9 | 51 | 9 | 118 | 14 | 105 | 9 | 105 | 24 | 129 | 18 | 97 | 21 | 118 | 22 | 24 | 37 |
| Great Falls | 586 | 106 | 575 | 104 | 1,743 | 336 | 1,580 | 247 | 296 | 520 | 816 | 99 | 596 | 311 | 907 | 232 | 846 | 513 |
| Hamilton | 38 | 5 | 39 | 10 | 116 | 12 | 88 | 10 | 131 | 288 | 419 | 41 | 83 | 365 | 448 | 35 | 68 | 34 |
| Havre | 146 | 45 | 98 | 19 | 207 | 51 | 208 | 49 | 165 | 66 | 231 | 86 | 100 | 71 | 171 | 49 | 132 | 97 |
| Helena | 192 | 22 | 238 | 40 | 329 | 64 | 324 | 49 | 220 | 66 | 286 | 81 | 201 | 49 | 250 | 66 | 219 | 171 |
| Kallispell | 249 | 37 | 211 | 54 | 494 | 69 | 653 | 159 | 539 | 62 | 601 | 164 | 199 | 11 | 210 | 53 | 346 | 326 |
| Lewistown | 75 | 15 | 125 | 34 | 122 | 28 | 137 | 41 | 54 | 75 | 129 | 35 | 159 | 35 | 194 | 65 | 98 | 94 |
| Livingston | 39 | 3 | 44 | 6 | 170 | 22 | 120 | 15 | 141 | 20 | 161 | 43 | 77 | 17 | 94 | 25 | 130 | 110 |
| Miles City | 97 | 11 | 75 | 10 | 147 | 6 | 99 | 15 | 81 | 28 | 109 | 18 | 87 | 52 | 139 | 33 | 45 | 61 |
| Missoula | 502 | 61 | 494 | 89 | 963 | 48 | 738 | 76 | 578 | 89 | 667 | 160 | 325 | 74 | 399 | 135 | 219 | 353 |
| Polson | 42 | 8 | 51 | 8 | 191 | 41 | 131 | 31 | 44 | 35 | 79 | 18 | 85 | 93 | 178 | 66 | 83 | 113 |
| Shelby | 75 | 15 | 79 | 22 | 130 | 26 | 159 | 40 | 72 | 21 | 93 | 21 | 65 | 31 | 96 | 17 | 38 | 94 |
| Sidney | 57 | 10 | 79 | 14 | 76 | 4 | 73 | 13 | 145 | 49 | 194 | 55 | 134 | 57 | 191 | 45 | 23 | 24 |
| Thomp. Falls | 34 | 7 | 37 | 14 | 61 | 14 | 80 | 22 | 67 | 9 | 76 | 23 | 46 | 2 | 48 | 17 | 49 | 32 |
| Wolf Point | 45 | 13 | 50 | 2 | 65 | 16 | 89 | 16 | 36 | 59 | 95 | 20 | 33 | 37 | 70 | 9 | 56 | 62 |
| TOTALS | 3,851 | 606 | 3,834 | 666 | 8,362 | 1,271 | 8,289 | 1,461 | 4,078 | 2,433 | 6,511 | 1,447 | 3,454 | 2,140 | 5,594 | 1,342 | 3,739 | 3,728 |

*Includes 289 claims of the Fed. UC Program 304 same a year ago.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN SELECTED MONTANA INDUSTRIES

(Produced in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)
(Hours and earnings data exclude administrative and salaried personnel)

| INDUSTRY | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | Oct. (1) 1963 | Sept. (2) 1963 | Oct. 1962 | Oct. (1) 1963 | Sept. (2) 1963 | Oct. 1962 | Oct. (1) 1963 | Sept. (2) 1963 | Oct. 1962 |
| All Manufacturing | \$106.27 | \$107.05 | \$104.12 | 39.8 | 39.5 | 40.2 | 2.67 | 2.71 | 2.59 |
| Durable Goods | 107.18 | 107.87 | 108.05 | 40.6 | 40.4 | 41.4 | 2.64 | 2.67 | 2.61 |
| Primary Metals | 109.35 | 109.35 | 102.56 | 40.5 | 40.5 | 39.6 | 2.70 | 2.70 | 2.59 |
| Nondurable Goods | 104.34 | 105.46 | 96.52 | 38.5 | 37.8 | 38.0 | 2.71 | 2.79 | 2.54 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 85.58 | 86.10 | 83.42 | 38.9 | 37.6 | 38.8 | 2.20 | 2.29 | 2.15 |
| All Mining | 114.93 | 117.71 | 113.71 | 40.9 | 41.3 | 41.5 | 2.81 | 2.85 | 2.74 |
| Metal Mining | 115.25 | 115.25 | 109.16 | 39.2 | 39.2 | 38.3 | 2.94 | 2.94 | 2.85 |
| Transportation and Utilities (except Rys.) | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Transportation (except railroads) | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Utilities and Communications | 106.52 | 103.10 | 101.91 | 40.5 | 39.2 | 39.5 | 2.63 | 2.63 | 2.58 |

(1) Preliminary estimates. (2) Figures previously released have been revised on more complete returns.

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